

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA**

ALLIANCE FOR THE WILD
ROCKIES, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

TOM VILSACK, in his official
capacity as Secretary of the
Department of Agriculture, et al.,

Federal Defendants,

RAVALLI COUNTY, MONTANA,
and STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL
RESOURCES,

Defendant-Intervenors.

Case No. 9:24-cv-00010-DLC-KLD

UNOPPOSED MOTION TO
EXTEND THE REMAINING
BRIEFING DEADLINES

Plaintiffs hereby submits this *Unopposed Motion to Extend the Remaining Briefing Deadlines*, and states as follows:

1. Counsel for Plaintiffs consulted with counsel for Federal Defendants and for both Defendant-Intervenors, and this Motion is not opposed.

2. On September 30, 2024, this Court granted the Parties' *Joint Motion to Modify the Case Management Order and Lift Stay of Deadlines*.

3. The representative for Plaintiff Friends of the Bitterroot was called out of town to care for her ill mother, who is suffering from dementia and, unfortunately, cannot sign off on Plaintiffs' combined responses to Defendants' cross-motions for summary judgment and reply in support of their motion for summary judgment until after her return around March 15, 2025.

4. Due to competing deadlines in multiple cases, the Federal Defendants have requested their subsequent deadline be extended by two weeks to May 2, 2025. Defendant-Intervenors prefer to remain on the same briefing schedule as Federal Defendants, and so request the same deadline.

5. Thus, Plaintiffs respectfully request the Court approve the remaining briefing deadlines as follows:

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| Plaintiffs' combined responses to Defendants' cross-motions for summary judgment and reply in support of their motion for summary judgment | March 24, 2024 |
| Federal Defendants' Reply in support of their cross-motion for summary judgment | May 2, 2025 |
| Intervenor-Defendants' Reply in support of their cross-motion for summary judgement | May 2, 2025 |

6. Accordingly, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court grant this *Unopposed Motion to Extend the Remaining Briefing Deadlines by Two Weeks*.

Respectfully submitted on this March 6, 2025.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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